

B) Response to Advisory Action

Examiner Bekker and Primary Examiner Tran indicated in the Advisory Action mailed December 3, 2008 that the status of the claims is as follows: Claim(s) allowed are 38, 39, and 46-50; Claim(s) objected to is 35; and Claim(s) rejected are 21-34, 36, 37, 40-45, and 51-56. The Advisory Action also indicated that the rejection of claim 21 under 35 USC 102(b) over Forkner was overcome by the response filed November 8, 2008, that the rejection of claim 35 under 35 USC 102(b) over Bogdan was overcome by the response filed November 8, 2008, and that the rejection of claims 38-39 and 46-50 under 35 USC 103(a) was overcome by the response filed November 8, 2008.

C) Summary of Telephonic Interview:

Applicant wishes to thank Examiner Bekker for the time extended to Applicant during the telephonic interview conducted on December 9, 2008. Examiner Bekker indicated that an amendment would be entered, and the application would be allowed, that included the following: Claim 30 would be allowed if amended to include the limitations of claim 35 (which was objected to in the advisory as being dependent from rejected claim 30); Claims 38, 39, and 46-50 stand allowed; Cancellation of the rejected claims 21-29, 31-37, 40-45, and 51-56.

In response to the Advisory Action mailed December 3, 2008 and the telephonic interview of December 9, 2008, Claim 35 has been canceled and the limitations of claim 35 have been incorporated into claim 30. Claims 38, 39, and 46-50 stand allowed. Accordingly, claims 30, 38, 39, and 46-50 are allowable. Claims 21-29, 31-37, 40-45, and 51-56 have been canceled. Claims 1-20 were cancelled previously.

Cancellation of claims 21-29, 31-37, 40-45, and 51-56 is not an admission that the limitations therein are taught by the references relied upon in the rejections of these claims. In fact, Applicant maintains disagreement with the Examiner's art rejections made to the rejected claims 21-29, 31-37, 40-45, and 51-56. Accordingly, Applicant reserves the right to prosecute the subject matter of these claims in one or more divisional applications.

Accordingly, the application is now in condition for allowance. It is respectfully requested that the above amendments be entered and the application be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,



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